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EDITORIAL NOTE—We ask the reader to carefully and fully peruse the foregoing story. At this critical time in the affairs of Canada we believe that the story contains much that will enlighten the ordinary citizen as to how near the German menace has been. This story is not fiction but the truth concerning German intrigues in the States and how it was thwarted by Mr. John R. Rathom and his staff.

How German Secret Plots in The U.S. Were Exposed

(From the July Number of Printer and Publisher)

Thrilling Story by John R. Rathom

A story of fascinating and even thrilling interest, of how one newspaper was enabled to so expose German secret plottings in the United States that it resulted, first, in the recall of one official after the other up to Count von Bernstorff, and then proved a great weight in convincing President Wilson of machinations against the State, was told by John R. Rathom, editor of the "Providence Journal," to the Canadian Press Association on Editorial night.

Mr. Rathom related numerous incidents of the work of members of his staff in revealing plots, not only against the Allies, but against the government to which diplomats who engineered those plots were accredited. To the ability of those newspapermen in his employ, to the fact that the "Journal" had been for some years prior to the war "bug" on wireless, and maintained two plants, one at Point Judith and another at Block Island, and to that certain stippling inalienable to the mind of the German diplomatist were due, he said, the "Journal's" success. One of his staff was attached from shortly after the outbreak of the war until the severance of relations between the United States and Germany to the staff of the Imperial German Embassy at Washington in the capacity of a Secretary. One of his women stenographers secured an appointment in the Austrian Consulate in New York. Other of his workers were constantly engaged in shadowing Roy-Ed. von Papen and other German and Austrian officials. The two wireless plants listened in, unceasingly, on Sayville and Nantucket, two stations the Germans were using to keep in touch with the home departments and for the receiving of instructions for their murderous work.

It was through these wireless installations that the exposure were suggested. When war was declared it occurred to the "Journal" officials, he said, that they might use them to good advantage in listening in on Sayville and Nantucket. They listened for five months before an exposure was made. In that time hundreds of coded messages were taken down and filed away, and gradually they were decoded and their startling nature revealed. The Brooklyn navy yard plant had had instructions from the State Department to keep a watch on Sayville and Nantucket, but nothing suspicious was ever reported by that station until Mr. Rathom took some of the messages his operators had received to the State Department. The department, Mr. Rathom said, that there were good reasons why Brooklyn never reported any suspicious. His manner of saying this clearly inferred that the operators at the Brooklyn plant had been in the pay of German agents in America not to hear too much.

... Their chief difficulty was in securing the codes. "We found some of the codes and were able in a short time to place some of our men in German and Austrian Consulate, and even in the German embassy itself. All this time we kept piling up the accusing evidence against the German dip-

lomatic staff. Still we put nothing in the newspapers. We had enough material in five months to keep us going for twenty-five years."

"We have not printed one-fifth of what we secured, but we were very glad when events turned out to turn the key on the safe in which it is deposited and forget the balance, because the work we tried to do has been accomplished."

FRAUDULENT PASSPORTS
The "Journal" discovered that a fraudulent passport bureau, operated by the German officials, was doing a land office business in a building on Broadway, New York City. The "Journal" established offices on either side of this office under fictitious names, and when it had gathered sufficient evidence notified the American Secret Service, who took the three employees of the bureau away. As soon as they had been removed three of the "Journal's" employees took up in the office as if they had always been engaged there. Shortly after, Von Papen and the German military attaché at Tokio came in with a list of names of men for whom they desired passports. Among these names was that of Horn. When Horn set out to do his work he allowed a three days' growth of beard to disfigure his face, he brought a shabby suit of clothes for three dollars (continued on inside pages)

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canvassers, J. W. Goddard, Wm. Ketter - \$1,250
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The new civic Council Board elected by acclamation for 1918 are, Messrs. W. Pullin, J. I. Staudt and W. C. Boyd. Wm. Pullin was the only member of the present council to be re-elected. Messrs. J. N. Anderson and I. McLean are the retiring members.

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Lucille Lambert	60
Kathleen Sexton	59
Wendell Henderson	52
Jonn Ross	52
George Chandler	48
Clyde Jarboe	48
Rhea Barry	47
Ether McNeiven	46
Martha Trail	46
Dorinda McArthur	43
Allan Ruess	42
Harold Ward	38
Lyle Clark	38
Duncan Sharp	37

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Bindloss News

The Leland Red Cross Society certainly acquired a reputation for entertainment when they held the number they did (nearly five years) interested for close on to five hours, on the evening of Wednesday, Nov. 21st, at the home of Mrs. Falconer. After partaking of a sumptuous repast the guests retired to the drawing room, where they were further entertained. Among the important items on the program that attracted much applause were:

"When you and I were young Maggie" a duet rendered by Mr. Lindenfield and Mrs. Phillips.

Club Singing, by Mrs. Robt. Hall.

"A little bit of German humor," by Mr. H. Demorest.

Readings, by Misses Pritchard and Wicks, and an especially entertaining selection by a young lady from Empress.

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An Up-to-Date Performer

There is nothing supernatural about the work of the Mysterious Theo. Pull, who is to appear here this week. He is a scientist and accounts for everything he does upon the natural laws, and the facts or whatever they may be called that he accomplishes, may be explained in a natural way. They are not of a character that give one the creepy crawling feeling, and sends one home believing in ghosts, spooks and the like. They are, however, more wonderful because they are real, performed by a power which, though we do not understand, is as fixed and as much a part of nature itself as the law of gravitation and other known forces.

Thus, while we see a woman suddenly disappear into space before our very eyes, we know she is human, material, and so governed by natural laws, that it is impossible for her to vanish in thin air. Yet, he does she go, and how is the illusion produced? That is the question, to solve the mystery of which students will go nightly to the performance of the Mysterious Theo. Pull and return more mystified than ever. Each evening entertainment winds you deeper in the coils until you are compelled to confess yourself beaten and acknowledge the presence of a master.

While magic will constitute the major portion of the performance, still enough time will be given to Hypnotism to thoroughly delight those enjoying this humorous exhibition, and also of mental philosophy. The Pulls performances will be clothed in new and special scenery. They come to the Grand Theatre, Empress, one night, Friday, Dec. 7th. Popular prices prevail. 25c. and \$1.00. Book your seats at Brown's drug store.

See Brown's stock of Waterman's Fountain Pens.

A FOOL THERE WAS

In making the screen version of "A Fool There Was," several distinct novelties occur in the "introductions" of the various characters. Miss Theda Bara, well known the world over for her remarkable powers, is seen

literally at first as the "rag and a bone and a hank of hair," of Kipling's poem. Gradually the evolution of the vampire takes place till Miss Bara herself is seen on the screen, in a wonderful gown that accentuates the serpent-like characters of the siren, holding a white rose. The rose gradually becomes fiery scarlet and then dissolves into a splash of crimson blood.

Quite as effective is the "introduction" of Edward Jose, who enacts the vampire's luckless victim. He is seen at first in the prime of a vigorous, healthy manhood. Gradually the wreck of a human being appears in the place of the healthy virile "man that was."

These two great artists, Theda Bara and Edward Jose, will be seen at the Grand Theatre, on Saturday night, Dec. 8. Usual prices.

The W. A. of St. Mary's church will hold their 4th annual dance in the hall on Dec. 7th. Admission \$1.00. Empress orchestra in attendance. Everyone welcome.

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How German Plots Were Exposed

(continued from front page) and he packed his effects in an ancient dilapidated carpet bag. These elaborate precautions carried out, he took passage for the point where the "plot" was to be done on one of the finest and most luxurious trains in the United States. When asked by Mr. Rathum why he had made this foolish error, he replied that he was a German officer and a gentleman and always travelled in the best style.

A GIRL'S GOOD WORK For romantic detail, however, none of the adventures equalled that of the girl stenographer who had for some years been employed by the "Providence Journal." She had been duly instructed and sent to the German Consulate in Washington, where developments were expected. It fell to her lot to dupe Capt. von Pape. A certain box of highly valuable secret documents was being sent from that office. It was that the box should be marked.

When the girl was one day casually sitting on the box, then ready for shipment, von Pape, on watch, sat beside her, asked if he might share her journey and made some sentimental flirtings advances to the girl. She coquettishly used a large red pencil to draw two hearts on the top of the box, and it was von Pape himself who drew the arrow that pierced both. It was by means of these hearts that the British authorities, when the Oscar II. arrived at Falmouth were enabled at once to pick out that box of valuable documents from over one hundred and fifty similarly consigned.

THE HUERTA CASE The exposure of the scheme in which Germany endeavored to have Huerta instigate action by Mexico against the United States was comparatively simple as related by Mr. Rathum. The "journalist" man in the Imperial German Embassy at Washington was ordered to go to New York and engage, in some hotel there, a suite of six rooms, where the German agents and Huerta could discuss terms. "Of course," said Mr. Rathum, "being our man, he saw to it that the choice of rooms would be advantageous (continued on opposite page)

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(continued from opposite page)

to us, and we were enabled to hear every word uttered in that interview and to send it to the State Department.

DR. ALBERT'S PORTFOLIO

Another incident related by Mr. Rathom was the loss by Dr. Heinrich Albert an Austrian official, of a portfolio containing papers relating to Ambassador Dumba's efforts to incite labor trouble in the United States. As a result of the loss of these papers and their getting into the hands of the State Department, Dumba was sent home by President Wilson.

One of the "Journal" employees had been shadowing Albert in New York, and followed him one day into a leather goods store, where he ordered a portfolio and gave instructions for the inscription of initials on the same. The shadower, as soon as Albert had gone out, ordered another portfolio alike in all details but the initials, saying that he would see how the initials looked on the portfolio before he had any imprinted on his purchase. He returned the next day, saw Albert's portfolio, made careful note of the characters used for the initials, took his portfolio to another shop and had the same initials inscribed. He then resumed his work of shadowing Albert, and a day or so later Albert, set off from his apartments with the portfolio and certain papers therein. He boarded an elevated train, and was suddenly stirred by a fight towards the front of the car. As he stood up to see what was the trouble the portfolios were changed. That happened on a Saturday morning, and the loss was not discovered until Monday morning.

A POWDER PLOT

Another time an employee of the "Journal" was present at a meeting of Boy-Ed, von Papen and four German-Americans, who gathered in a house in Brooklyn and toasted the man who had blown up the Du Pont powder plant and murdered 31 persons. Subsequently two men were sent to penitentiary and two back to Germany, as a

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consequence of the discovery of this plot.

It was through the "Journal" that a great quantity of important papers were secured from Wolt von Igel. These papers revealed the Casement plot for the Irish uprising. When the papers were taken, Mr. Rathom said in illustrating his point that there is a certain amount of stupidity in all German diplomats, von Bernstorff made application to the State Department to have them returned. He was told that any paper he could identify would be returned to him, and he then realized in asking that the papers be returned.

Three days before Bernstorff was ordered to return to Germany, Mr. Rathom declared he demanded that the American Government suppress the Providence "Journal".

HAD MAN IN HUN EMBASSY

One interesting feature was that an agent of the newspaper was for seventeen months in the Ambassador's office as assistant secretary, and his identity was not known to Bernstorff until he remained behind on the dock when the Frederick VIII. left for Halifax. Bern-

storff had since written a private letter—which of course had been intercepted—to friends in New York, saying what he thought of that individual.

"He was one of the common or garden brand of reporters," was how Mr. Rathom described one of the workers in this search for plotters.

WHAT LANSING TOLD BERNSTORFF

Mr. Rathom said he had seen the letter which Count von Bernstorff had written to Mr. Lansing demanding that the "Journal" be closed down at once, and the reply that Mr. Lansing had given—that the Count was not in Germany.

WHO STARTED THE OTTAWA FIRE

Of the Ottawa Parliament Building fire, Mr. Rathom said they had no positive information, but three weeks before it took place they had information of a plan to destroy the Parliament buildings about that time, with two munition plants in Canada. The Attorney-General for New York State was not informed of this because a Mr. Marshall had let it lie over, not believing the information, though he had since said he did not forward the in-

formation. Both Parliament Buildings and the munition plants were damaged by fire or bomb within forty-eight hours of the time of which "The Providence Journal" had information. "That is all I know of the Ottawa fire," said Mr. Rathom, "but I am content to believe that it could not be charged to carelessness nor lack of ordinary precaution at Ottawa, because we know how difficult it is to circumvent these men."

"GOD BLESS CANADA"

Mr. Rathom ended a thrilling narrative by saying, "The one thing by which you are judged in the war is by the work of the men who bear the brunt on the firing line. They are fighting for the principles that God has placed in the hearts of every freedom-loving man. It is a fight for the freedom of the world. Canada can no longer be patronised as a bunch of juvenile people stored away in the icy recesses of the north. She has won her destiny as a na-

tion.

To England's fortitude, Mr. Rathom has paid tribute with these lines:

So small a shield to bear so great a sign,
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England, but in this darkest hour of thine
Tis those who know thee best

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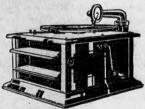
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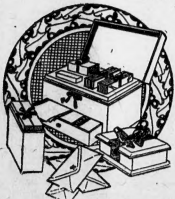
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Union Government Meeting
Saturday, Dec. 15, Grand Theatre
Returned Veteran and other speakers

Local and Personal

Geo. Avery left this morning on a visit to Calgary.

Wm. Pullin is away on a business trip to Calgary.

Garry Tucker, is temporarily assisting on the Empress Trading Co. staff.

The annual meeting of the local agricultural society was held on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. J. E. Kirner, and her sister are leaving, shortly, to spend the winter in California.

Preparations are now being made for the Sunday School Entertainment and Christmas Tree, on Thursday, Dec. 20th. Keep the date in mind.

Mr. R. Buckley, advance agent for "Intolerance," one of the greatest spectacles shown on the moving picture screen, was in town on Friday last. A booking was secured with the local theatre for Dec. 21.

Church of England, Sunday next, Dec. 9.—Holy Communion, 11 a.m.; Baptisms, 3 p.m.; Evening song, 7:30 p.m. Subject, "The Second Coming." After the Service the Missioner will address the congregation on the "Present Political Crisis." You are all earnestly invited to attend.—A. H. E. Jones.

As a consequence of the two political meetings held in town on Friday and Saturday last by the Hon. A. L. Sifton, Union Candidate, and Lieut. C. B. Reilly, Laurier-Liberal Candidate, political discussions are the order of the day. Space forbids us commenting on the addresses given.

The death took place Thursday last of Mrs. Hannah Anson, at the home of her son, Wm. Rowles. The deceased who was 87 years of age, on Sunday, Nov. 24, had the misfortune to fall and hurt her hip. She never recovered from this hurt. Her death is mourned by her children and all who knew her. The burial service was held last Saturday at the home of Wm. Rowles, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Josephine cemetery.

The bridge is now open to the public and a large number of the north farmers are using the crossing.

Trouble was experienced in heating the school building, on Monday. As a consequence of the school being too cold the children were dismissed in the forenoon.

The ladies of the United congregation will hold their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. D. McArthur, Thursday, Dec. 6th, at 2:30 p.m. All ladies of the congregation are asked to attend.

Cavendish Confections

The Snowbird Threshing Co. have again started operations; some reason for the change in weather.

The new White Restaurant is a big success and a boon to our town.

Mr. S. P. Biggs has finished his contract on the school stable.

Mr. Ben Plowman is to be congratulated for his untiring efforts and his success in swelling the victory loan to the peoples limit.

After the big dance last Monday night, given by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Glen, a great send-off was given to Messrs. Guternd and Lande, who left here for Union, N.D., to join the "Sammies."

Last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Biggs entertained several of their bachelor friends, at a turkey dinner.

Mr. Lennox is rounding up his beef cattle this week and intends to butcher.

Mr. F. W. Lee has built a large horse barn on his farm. The building when completed will stable 24 animals and has the latest modern fixtures.

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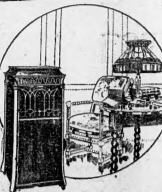
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